

Amend CSHB 3276 (house committee printing) as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 7, at the beginning of the line, insert the following:

This section applies to:

- (1) a primary election;
- (2) the general election for state and county officers; and
- (3) an election in which the county clerk serves as the early voting clerk.

(b)

(2) On page 1, line 9, strike "ballots voted" and substitute "voted ballots".

(3) On page 1, lines 9 through 10, strike "polls close or the time the last voter has voted, whichever is later," and substitute "ballots are delivered to the general custodian of election records".

(4) On page 1, line 11, strike "video recorded is" and substitute "video recording shall be retained in the same manner as".

(5) On page 1, line 12, strike "66.002" and substitute "66.058".

(6) On page 1, line 13, strike "(b)" and substitute "(c)".

(7) On page 1, line 15, strike "Subsection (a)" and substitute "Subsection (b)".

(8) On page 1, strike lines 17 through 19.

(9) On page 1, line 20, strike "adopt rules" and substitute "prescribe procedures".

(10) Strike page 1, line 22 through page 2, line 4.

(11) Add the following SECTIONS to the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 31.009, Election Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(b) If state funds are made available to provide for the security of voted ballots under Section 65.016, the secretary of state shall administer and distribute the funds to counties as appropriate to most effectively facilitate the purpose for which

the funds are made available.

(c) The secretary of state shall prescribe any necessary rules and take any appropriate action to implement this section.

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter A, Chapter 31, Election Code, is amended by adding Section 31.0112 to read as follows:

Sec. 31.0112. VIDEO RECORDING OF COUNTING LOCATIONS FUND.

(a) The video recording of counting locations fund is an account in the general fund.

(b) The secretary of state shall establish a grant program to assist counties with the implementation of this section.

(c) If a federal program makes funding available to this state for the purpose of video recording of ballot counting locations, state funds appropriated under this section may be used to meet federal matching requirements under the federal program.

(d) The fund is exempt from the application of Section 403.095, Government Code.